

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Johan van de Groenendaal et al.  
Serial No.: 10/786,863  
Filing Date: February 24, 2004  
Group Art Unit: 2167  
Confirmation No.: 3676  
Examiner: Michael Pham  
Title: RELATIONAL MODEL FOR MANAGEMENT  
INFORMATION IN NETWORK DEVICES

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 17, 2008, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the comments and amendments as set forth below. Please amend the Application as follows.